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1. WE DISCUSSED ITALIAN RESERVATIONS ON LTDP WITH MFA DIRECTOR FOR NATO AFFAIRS DE FRANCHIS MAY 4. DE FRANCHIS PROMISED TO CONVEY POINTS TO MOD WHERE DECISIONS ON LTDP BEING MADE. HE EXPRESSED AGREEMENT WITH POLITICAL CONFIDENTIAL

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IMPORTANCE OF LTDP, BUT ADDED, ON PERSONAL BASIS, THAT IT IS DIFFICULT FOR ITALIANS TO SEE FUNDAMENTAL DIFFERENCE BETWEEN COMMITMENTS IN PRINCIPLE AND COMMITMENTS OF MONEY OR RESOURCES. SINCE THE FORMER IS INEVITABLY FOLLOWED BY DEMANDS FOR THE LATTER, THE ITALIANS WISH TO CONSIDER CAREFULLY ANY GENERALIZED AGREEMENT ON PROGRAMS.

2. EMBASSY SUGGESTS THAT DOD FOLLOW UP ON THIS ISSUE WITH GENERALS MOIZO AND D'AMBROSIO WHO WILL BE ARRIVING IN WASHINGTON THIS WEEKEND.GARDNER

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